

I. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows.

1. Kindly replace the paragraph on page 2, lines 12-14, which begins with
“K.Sasaki,S.Kawata,and...,” with the following new paragraph:

K.Sasaki,_S.Kawata,_and S.Minami,“Component analysis of spatial and spectral
patterns in multispectral images. II.Entropy minimization,” J.Opt.Soc.Am.A6,73(19891987).

2. Kindly replace the heading “[Patent Literature 1]” on page 2, line 25, with the
following new heading:

[Patent Literature 21]